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Replacement FoodShare Benefits Available for Flood Victims

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FoodShare members have until August 11 to apply

MADISON - Replacement FoodShare benefits are available for those who lost food due to the severe weather in northern Wisconsin last week. Governor Scott Walker declared a State of Emergency in eight Wisconsin counties including Ashland, Bayfield, Burnett, Douglas, Iron, Price, Sawyer, and Washburn after heavy rains caused flash flooding and power outages.

FoodShare members who lost food due to the flooding or power outages caused by the severe storms may request replacement benefits for food purchased with July benefits. Due to damages from the storms, some people have been unable to reach county offices or access their homes, therefore, the Department of Health Services (DHS) requested a waiver of the 10-day deadline to report lost benefits. The federal Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) approved the waiver request to allow households sufficient time to report their loss of food in the above counties.

FoodShare members in the affected counties have until August 11, 2016 to report lost benefits, and request replacement for the amount of the loss, not to exceed the monthly allotment for the household.

FoodShare members affected by flooding in northern Wisconsin who wish to request replacement benefits should fill out the following form and submit it to their local income maintenance agency.

- Form to request replacement benefits: https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/library/F-00330.htm
- Local income maintenance agencies: https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/forwardhealth/imagency/index.htm

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